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1. Prior to August 1951, a Polish AAA unit was quartered in a barracks installation at the intersection of ul. Grunwaldzka (former Hauptstrasse) and Slowackiego in Danzig-Langfuhr (Q 55/Y 42). [redacted] a unit of 4 AA guns towed by half-track motor vehicles leaving the barracks installation. The guns were similar to the German 8.8 cm AA guns. The unit moved toward the airfield northeast of ul. Grunwaldzka. The soldiers on the prime movers wore uniforms the color and cut of those worn by the German Air Force and had red collar patches.¹
2. Prior to mid-October 1951, the former German infantry barracks in the southern section of the town between ul. Rzeznicka and ul. Zabikruk was occupied by Polish infantry. Several times detachments in the strength of more than 100 men each were seen leaving the installation. The soldiers were equipped with rifles, light machine guns, and mortars.² The target ranges of the unit were in the former fortification area of the Bischofsberg (Biskupia) fortress. In October 1951, a U-shaped building of the barracks installation was still in ruins.
3. In the fall of 1951, a motorized KFW unit was quartered in a long three-story building on the west side of Plac Walowy, south-southwest of the barracks installation mentioned in paragraph 2. The soldiers of this unit, which was equipped with armored reconnaissance vehicles and trucks, had dark blue cap bands and collar patches. The motor vehicles of the unit were in long low sheds south of the quarters, and southeast of a technical college in the building of the former Polish gymnasium.³
4. [redacted] the Bischofsberg installation in the southwest section of the town was occupied by a Polish unit. The area was fenced in and barred to civilians.

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5. Prior to October 1951, billets in the southeastern section of the town on the corner of ul. Elblaska and Lakowa (former Weidengasse) were occupied by KBW officers who served in the former Reiterkaserne southeast of these billets.³
6. The former Reiterkaserne at the east end of ul. Ulanska (former Reitergasse) was occupied by a KBW unit. Two multi-story brick buildings, sheds and stables were seen in the barracks area.³
7. A UB office and quarters for UB personnel with families were in a three- or four-story former insurance building on the east side of ul. Okopowa and the west side of ul. Kladki. A villa on the west side of ul. Okopowa housed the interrogation office. The UB office was headed by a Polish major. Soldiers with black velvet collar patches and black cap bands and others with blue service color were seen in the building. A few soldiers had red collar patches. Groups of young soldiers with red service color and the letter B on the epaulets were repeatedly seen entering the building. They had brief cases and made an especially favorable impression. 25X1
 they were UB cadets of the UB officers school in Danzig-Langfuhr. 25X1
8. Prior to October 1951, the main district command for the Danzig district was at the intersection of ul. Grunwaldzka and ul. Lerska in Langfuhr.
9. Unidentified military quarters and depots were in the southern section of the Narwik Cantonment which had been erected under German administration and, in its north section, housed civil offices.
10. In the spring of 1951, persons of the 1931 class were registered and, soon after, inducted in Danzig and transported to Dirschau (Tczew, Q 55/D 59). Politically reliable persons, without police record, of the 1931 and 1932 classes were registered for KBW and WOP at the same time and also left soon after. 25X1
 WOP draftees were trained in Hirschberg (Jelenia Gora, O 51/G 63). The service period was two years for troops in general, three years for technical troops, and four years for air force personnel.⁴ 25X1
1. Comment. The installation mentioned is a large barracks installation which appears to be occupied by various units. In November 1951, a resettler woman reported the Kaszubski Infantry Regiment as being quartered in the same barracks installation. 25X1
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2. Comment. The barracks installation is the former Wiebenkaserne. 25X1
3. Comment. The 13th KBW Regt which is carried in Danzig, seems to be quartered in this barracks installation.
4. Comment. The bulk of the 1931 class was inducted in the spring of 1951. Recruits for the security forces are usually inducted in summer. The Defense Act of 4 February 1950 provides service terms of two years for the army, three years for the navy and air forces and twenty-seven months for the security forces. 25X1

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